CHRISTMAS CHIMES!

How they add to the Christmas spirit! "Silent Night, Holy Night"—"Adeste Fideles" —pealing out on crisp air that is richly laden with the memories of other Christmas seasons —of that One memorable Christmas-tide centuries ago. Each Christmas sees an ever increasing number of churches enjoying the benefits that come through the installation of Golden Voiced Tower Chimes.

A CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEED

Not only at Christmas time but at every other season of the year these Modern Tower Chimes confer incalculable benefits through reaching the strays and non-attendants—those whom the Church most of all wants to reach but who shun every ordinary invitation. When Chimes are installed there is invariably a noticeable spiritual awakening in the community—new faces are seen in the congregation;

THE DYNAMICS OF BETTER HOMES.

INTRO. Our text shall be the motto for Calif. adopted by the State Committee of "Better Homes Week":
"~~BETTER/HOMES/ARE~~ "HAPPY HOMES ARE BETTER HOMES"

No doubt but that the external conditions of our homes have a great deal to do with the happinness of their members: Cleanliness and order, Sanitation and Conveinences Adornments and attractiveness. This phase of "Better Homes Week" will be emphasized thruout the week. But today, we shall consider those internal conditions of our homes without which there can be no happiness no matter how favorable the external conditions may be.

Have read a few books authoritatively on subject.

Any serious considenation of the internal life of our homes at once presents a grave and perplexing proble

I. The Home Situation has been greatly changed.
Two generations ago the Family was the most adamant of our social institutions. Today, it is the most unstable
Since 17@PGov't, Industry and Intellectual Life have bee made over.
Hence, it is inevitable that the family should break away from customs and standards that have become obsolete to adapt itself to modern life.

Here in America
Frontier conditions have disappeared
The hard-working, adventurous united family life of frontier days is gone.
We have changed from rural to urban
City life has tangled the home with many bewilderin and baffling problems.
Our Industry has become highly mechanized and specialized.
The reaction from our speeded-up way of living has created an intense craving for excitement of all kinds.
Science has revolutionized our thot and way of living, and has brot to all classes comforts and conveniences that have greatly affected our home life.

II. What Attitude Shall Thinking Persons Take Towards This Changed Condition of Home Life?

1. The extreme conservative view? Filled with alarm, in-

clined to condemn innovations and deplore changes,
Mr.McMillans statement-"If everybody would give up the automobile and the movie, he would gladly."
But it cant be done.

2. The Ultra-Progressive Attitude. Ready to cast aside the old family life altogether. Away with monogomy. Lets have companionate marriages and trial mrriages, and lets experiment freely and unrestrictedly to find out just what is the best way to live.

3. The Middle-Way Attitude.
A careful study of home life and a thoro investigatio
and consideration of its problems.
A— Still believes in the monogamid family life.
1. Earliest of human institutions, growing out of real human needs.
2. No social pressure originated it. The family issimply the best way to meet the urgent sex instinct, and the best way to care for helpless infants.
3. What institution could take the place of the family should it disappear? None.
Gov't and religion have been severely attacked, but they survive stronger than ever. So will thehome survive.
B. But the defects and inadequacies of family life doday must be recognized and dealt with.
II— Reforms are necessary to make the Family function successfully.

1. Legislative Reforms.
Common Law Marriages. Still valid in half of our States

Child Marriages.
14 States put the minimum marriage age for hirls-12
9 States put it at 14yrs 14 yrs.
17 States put it at 16 yrs.
Only 1 State, New Hampshire, puts it at 18
343.000 women of America began their married life when but children!

Eugenic Marriage Laws.
Against diseases and unfitness.
Marriage permitted
~~~~~~ Adequate health certificates before
Sterilization of the unfit.
Calif. leads. Up to 1927 2,355 insane sterilized.
Sterilization of the hardened criminal cases.
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2. Econimic Reforms.

Ignorance and Poverty must be abolished

Unsanitary housing and bad home conditions removed. These conditions contribute to juvenile crime and delinquency, family dessertion, prostitution and child labor.

3. Social Reforms.

a- Constructive social and educational programs for the raising of the family level, to promote the health and effeciency of its members.

b- Must be social acceptance of complete Sex Equality

c- Proper Provision and Supervision of Adequate Play Life All places of amusement, of every kind and description, should be required to conform to definite standards of decency or close up.

IV. Changes Within the Family that Must Take Place.

1. Complete economic emancipation of women.

Every unmarried woman should be able to earn her own living. Case of Piedmont girl.

Every married woman should be priveleged to contribute to the family support.

In the eyes of her children she will become the equal of ~~her~~ their father.

She can all the better be companion to herchildren

2. Husbands and Fathers must be Educated, as such.

a. They must recognize that their wives are just as truly "individuals" as they themselves are, and have the right of opportunity for full expression of personality as they themselves possess.

Suppressed and unhappy mothers make nervous wrecks and abnormal beings out of their children.

b. The founding of a home and the rearing of children should beon the basis of mutual understand and responsibility.

Household cares and the nurture of the young should be the common duties of both husband and wife.

c. An intimate companionship with the chidlren on the part of both father and mother.

Upon what grounds do such changes and improvements in our home life as have been considered rest? On the basis that Health and Happiness and the Welfare of both ~~the~~ present and future generations must be put above all other ends.

No dynamic for home betterment that can compare with that of Christian living. Jesus' Way is the very best.

Nothing sweetens & purifies the home life like the spirit & attitude of Jesus towards life.